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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Foreign-Trade Zones Board [B-35-2020]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 105 – Providence, Rhode Island; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; (Night Vision Camera Systems), Jamestown, Rhode Island

Night Vision Technology Solutions, LLC (Night Vision Technology) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility in Jamestown, Rhode Island. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on May 29, 2020.

Night Vision Technology's facility is located within Subzone 105B. The facility is used for the production of night vision camera systems. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials and components and specific finished products described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Night Vision Technology from customs duty payments on the foreign-status components used in export production. On its domestic sales, for the foreign-status materials/components noted below, Night Vision Technology would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to electro-optical infra-red (EO/IR) camera systems containing thermal cameras, often with the addition of visible cameras, laser range finders, and/or analytic software; handheld uncooled longwave infra-red (LWIR) thermal monoculars; uncooled thermal camera modules; and, temperature measurement devices using

thermal sensors (duty-free). Night Vision Technology would be able to avoid duty on

foreign-status components which become scrap/waste. Customs duties also could

possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment.

The components and materials sourced from abroad include: multi-contact

pinned cable connectors; enclosures and housings for camera systems; uncooled LWIR

thermal sensors; and, germanium lenses for thermal sensors (duty rate ranges from

duty-free to 4.4%). The request indicates the materials/components are subject to

duties under Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (Section 301), depending on the

country of origin. The applicable Section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to

be admitted to FTZs in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be

addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary and sent to: ftz@trade.gov. The closing

period for their receipt is [INSERT DATE 40 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the "Reading

Room" section of the Board's website, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Christopher Wedderburn at

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Dated: June 3, 2020.

Andrew McGilvray,

Executive Secretary.

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